

Example

# Set a playback's release time

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<b>description:</b>	Set a playback's release time
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This is also an example how `time:x` is parsed into a time value.

[playback](#), [release](#), [time](#)

## functions

- [Handles.ClearSelection](#)
- [ActionScript.SetProperty](#)

## affected properties

- [Playbacks.Editor.SelectedPlayback](#)
- [Handles.SourceHandle](#)
- [Playbacks.Editor.Times.PlaybackReleaseTime](#)

## control structures

- [step condition](#)

## Code

[SetPBReleaseTime.xml](#)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<avolites.macros>
  <macro id="Wiki.Macros.Releasetime0" name="PB Release Time 0s">
    <sequence>
      <step>Handles.ClearSelection()</step>
      <step>ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.SelectedPlayback",
null)</step>

      <step>Handles.SetSourceHandle("PlaybackWindow", 0)</step>
      <step condition="Playbacks.IsCueHandle(Handles.SourceHandle)">
        ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.SelectedPlayback",
Handles.SourceHandle)</step>
      <step>ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.Times.PlaybackReleaseT
ime", time:0)</step>
    </sequence>
  </macro>
</avolites.macros>
```

```
<step>Handles.SetSourceHandle("PlaybackWindow", 1)</step>
<step condition="Playbacks.IsCueHandle(Handles.SourceHandle)">
  ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.SelectedPlayback",
Handles.SourceHandle)</step>
<step>ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.Times.PlaybackReleaseT
ime", time:0)</step>

<step>Handles.ClearSelection()</step>
<step>ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.SelectedPlayback",
null)</step>
</macro>
</avolites.macros>
```

## Explanation

This explains the functional steps within the sequence. For all the other XML details please refer to [Formats and syntax](#)

- The first and last two lines `Handles.ClearSelection()` and `ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.SelectedPlayback", null)` make handle and playback selection empty so that no other handle/playback is affected by accident.
- `Handles.SetSourceHandle("PlaybackWindow", 0)` selects a playback as source handle
- `<step condition="Playbacks.IsCueHandle(Handles.SourceHandle)">`: only if this is a cue playback handle (and not maybe a macro or group handle which would break the macro)...
- ... `ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.SelectedPlayback", Handles.SourceHandle)` derive the playback from the given handle (the playback holds the time, not the handle)
- `ActionScript.SetProperty("Playbacks.Editor.Times.PlaybackReleaseTime", time:0)` finally sets the releaseTime to the value. `time:0` tells the parser what to do with the number 0, i.e. parse it as time value.

## How to use it

- [make this macro available](#)
- while it's well possible to create some macros to set some playbacks to a given release time, it does make more sense to integrate this into a bigger context like [Create Workspaces](#) in order to setup a known show environment.

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